Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

- 1. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge comprising an angle section (2)—with a first leg (3)—and a second perpendicular leg (4)—that are each provided with at least one bore (5, 6)—to which a drill guide (9)—is detachably fastenable from outside, the angle section having a corner disposed between the first leg and the second leg wherein the first leg has long sides and extends longitudinally away from the corner in a longitudinal direction, and the corner defines an angle section edge which extends in a transverse direction transverse to the longitudinal direction, an end a—scale (12, 13)—being provided on the end of each of said first and second legs leg (3, 4)—and a side scale (14)—being provided on at least one of the long sides side—of the first leg—(3).
- 2. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the first leg (3)—is formed longer than the second leg—(4).
- 3. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that one of the long sides of the first leg defines a longitudinal edge, and the bore (5)—in the first leg (3)—is spaced from the longitudinal edge (17)—thereof at a distance (b)—corresponding to a the—distance (a)—between the corner (21)—of the angle section (2)—and the bore (6)—in the second leg—(4).
- 4. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 3, characterized in that the side scale is provided on the

longitudinal edge (17)—of the first leg (3)—on which the bore (5)—is disposed at the distance—(b)—has the one scale (14).

- 5. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the bore (5)—in the first leg (3)—is disposed in the middle of the first leg as defined between the angle section edge (20)—and the end of the first leg (3)—in the longitudinal direction.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the bore (6)—in the second leg (4)—is disposed in the middle of the second leg as defined in the transverse direction.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that <u>each of the end scales (12, 13)</u> on the ends of the <u>first and second two legs (3, 4)</u> have <u>a the zero point (22, 23)</u> in the middle <u>of the end scale as defined in the transverse direction.</u>
- 8. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the <u>side</u> scale $\frac{(14)}{}$ on the long side of the first leg $\frac{(3)}{}$ has <u>a</u> the zero point $\frac{(24)}{}$ in the middle thereof as defined between the angle section edge $\frac{(20)}{}$ and the end of the first leg $\frac{(3)}{}$.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the end of the first and/or second leg (3, 4)—is tapered by material removal (25, 26)—on an the outside surface (27, 28)—thereof to define an end edge (29, 30)—which is provided with the end scale—(12, 13).
- 10. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the <u>side</u> scale $\frac{(14)}{}$ on the long side of the first leg $\frac{(3)}{}$ is provided on <u>a side</u> the face of the first leg which is disposed between an the inside surface

of the first leg (18)—and an the outside surface (27)—of the first leg—(3).

- 11. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 10, characterized in that the <u>side</u> scale $\frac{(14)}{(18)}$ extends from the inside surface of the first leg $\frac{(18)}{(27)}$ to the outside surface $\frac{(27)}{(27)}$ of the first leg $\frac{(3)}{(27)}$.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the first leg (3)—has an opening (16)—with a zero point (33)—that is flush with the bore (3)—in the second leg—(4).
- 13. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 12, characterized in that the zero point of the opening (33)—forms a the—zero point of a transverse scale (15) extending in the transverse direction of the first leg—(3).
- 14. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 12, characterized in that the opening (16)—is disposed on the side of the first leg (3)—facing the second leg—(4).
- 15. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the drill guide (9)—is formed by a sleeve.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the drill guide (9)—is provided for detachable fastening with an external thread to be screwed into an internal thread (7, 8)—on the bore—(5, 6).
- 17. (Currently Amended) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the angle section (2)—is made of an aluminum material.

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18. (Original) A dowel gauge according to claim 1, characterized in that the drill guide is made of steel.